



SECTION 8

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS	Attorney Docket No.	725.1144
	Application Number	09/825,447
	Filing Date	April 4, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Hiroshi OHMURA, et al.
	Group Art Unit	2644

Title:	AUDIO SYSTEM AND ITS CONTENTS REPRODUCTION METHOD, AUDIO APPARATUS FOR A VEHICLE AND ITS CONTENTS REPRODUCTION METHOD, PORTABLE AUDIO APPARATUS, COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT AND COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(f) and in response to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed May 30, 2001 for the above-identified application, enclosed are the following:

- ☒ RETURN COPY of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- ☒ Executed Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney executed by the inventor for completing the missing parts of the subject application. The undersigned registered attorney states that the subject application is the application which the inventor executed by signing the attached Declaration.
- ☐ Formal Drawings (Sheets; Figs _____)
- ☐ English-language translation of application
- ☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status

Enclosed is a payment of the following:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The filing fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a) | \$ 710.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The additional claim(s) fee (28 claims over 20) | \$ 504.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The additional independent claim(s) fee (6 claims over 3) | \$ 480.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Petition for Extension of Time (<u> </u> -month) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English language translation fee | \$ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surcharge as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) | \$130.00 |
| SUBTOTAL FEES: | \$1,824.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.27) | .00 |
| SUBTOTAL FEES: | \$1,824.00 |
| TOTAL FEES DUE: | \$1,824.00 |

Since the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application set an original due date of __, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110)); (2 months (\$390)); (3 months (\$890)); (4 months (\$1,390)); (5 months (\$1,890)):

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- ☒ Check enclosed as payment.
☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. 19-3935, below.

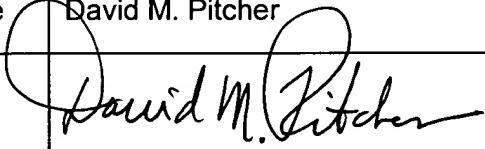
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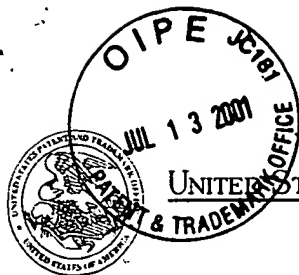
- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 necessary to maintain pendency of the present application to:

Deposit Account No.: 19-3935

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$984.
 - \$504 for 28 total claims over 20.
 - \$480 for 6 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1824.**

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

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- Figure(s) 23f described in the specification.

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02 FC:102	480.00 OP
03 FC:103	504.00 OP
04 FC:105	130.00 OP

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed

in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabelled drawing figures, is required. Any drawing changes should be accompanied by a copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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